

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 13-16 have been canceled. Claims 4, 12 and 17 remain pending. In the FINAL Office Action, claims 4, 12 and 17 were stated as being “allowed”. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and that no new issues have been raised by this Amendment After Final.

I. Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103(a)

In the FINAL Office Action dated November 19, 2010, claims 1 and 13-16 are rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,521,062 B1 issued to Bartholomeusz et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,153,315 issued to Yamakoshi et al.

Claims 1 and 13-16 have been canceled. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is now moot and can be withdrawn.

II. Allowable Subject Matter

In the FINAL Office Action dated November 19, 2010, claims 4, 12 and 17 are stated as being “allowed”.

Since claims 1 and 13-16 have been canceled, only allowed claims 4, 12 and 17 are pending. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance.

III. Conclusion

In view of the cancellation of claims 1 and 13-16, Applicants respectfully submit that all claim rejections have been overcome, that no new issues have been raised, and that the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, a favorable action on the merits is therefore requested.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment for entering this Amendment
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